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OTTAWA GLANCES AT LIVESTOCK SITUATION FOR 1952

FORECASTING IS TROUBLESOME BUT HERE IS ANALYSIS

Brief Look at Position in Hog
and Beef Production,
Cheese, Eggs

PRICES OUTLOOK

Stated U.S. Could Absorb
Any Surplus in Bacon
and Beef

By M. MacDOUGALL
Leader Correspondent

OTTAWA, Jan. 9th. — In times like these, when the cost of living is such a baffling subject, and when for the first time in nearly two years the index not only did not rise but declined very slightly — the cost of foods being the major contributor to the decline — there is trouble even for agricultural officials to forecast the general course of prices. Here, however, in a very brief and rough way, some of them look at the present situation.

HOG PRODUCTION — In 1950 the marketings of hogs were 14 to 15 per cent over the previous year, but because of the high price of beef, the Canadian people ate the pork. This year just past there was a rise in hog production, but the strong domestic demand continued. Through the high level of employment and income the surplus was absorbed.

There will probably be a still further increase in hogs marketed in Canada. This is expected, but if the domestic demand continues on the same scale (and this seems likely) there will be little surplus.

Prices have varied during the year, rising from \$31.50 earlier in the year, to \$40 in July. There was then decline to \$29 in September (Toronto market referred to), with variations after that from 25 cents to \$2.00, and recently the price has been \$31.50.

Surpluses Not Problem

It is pointed out that surpluses either in bacon or beef are not a problem, because if there is a surplus, it can be disposed of in the United States. Across the border, where the type of hog produced is closer to the Canadian variety, it is stated, producers are getting away quite rapidly from the very fat, corn fed hog, since it isn't really economic to raise it. Food is cheaper, but most of the fat is waste. With the Canadian and American types of bacon being quite similar, getting rid of temporary surpluses will not be difficult.

BEEF PRODUCTION — The prices of beef are relatively high. The determining factor in the course of prices is the market in the United States because all our surplus beef goes there. On occasions recently the price of beef has been higher in the domestic market than across the border, and this has brought the importation of some cattle from the U.S.

Freight Rate Reductions Will Benefit Alberta

Sea War Active as Truce Talks Continue

TRANSPORT BOARD ISSUES ORDER TO CANADA RAILWAYS

Will Be of Greatest Value to
West Saskatchewan
and Alberta

STARTS JAN. 15th

Based on Legislation Imple-
menting Royal Commission
Report

OTTAWA, Ont. — Canadian railways were ordered by the Board of Transport Commissioners Monday to bring into effect by January 15th new freight rates which will be of substantial benefit to Alberta and Western Saskatchewan.

This order is in accordance with legislation passed at the last session at Ottawa, implementing a recommendation of the Royal Commission on Transportation. The legislation provides that on freight movements between the East and the interior of the West, the railways may charge no more than 1 1/3 times the rate between the East and the British Columbia Coast. Hitherto, some rates from the East to Alberta have been twice as much as rates from the East to the Coast.

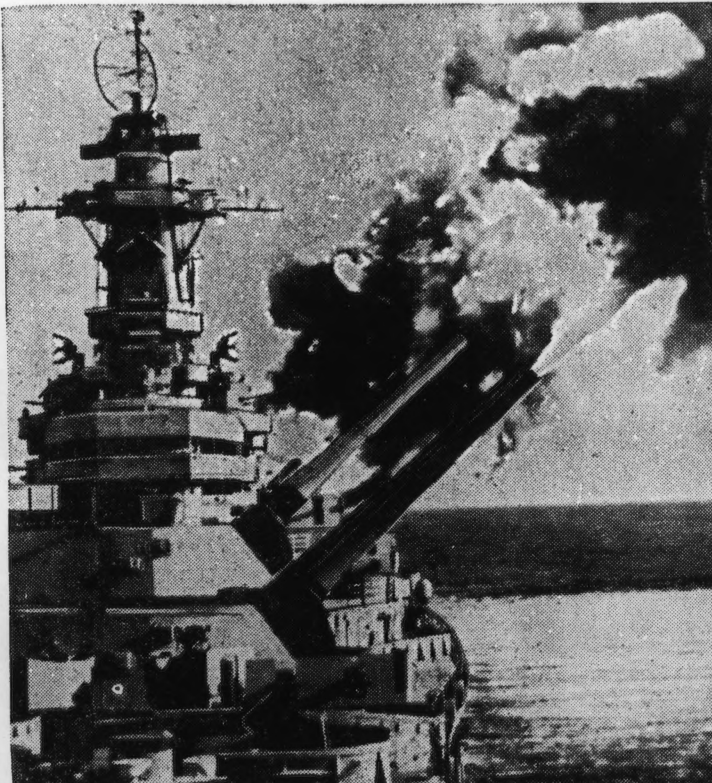
The order will affect a variety of goods, chiefly those which could be shipped by water through the Panama canal from Eastern Canada to the West Coast. Canned goods is one item.

Urge Holding Sufficient Seed Stock to Meet All Needs in This Province

Holding within the Province of "sufficient quantities of seed stock" to meet all needs in a satisfactory way until spring, was asked by the Annual Meeting of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture during its sessions in Calgary.

Cases Where in Producers' Hands
It was further urged that the handling of wheat for seed purposes still in the producers' hands "be placed on the same basis as oats and barley, whereby seed companies may purchase same direct from producers, to be cleaned on the farm or in any approved seed cleaning plant, and be moved within the Province under seed inspection certificate, exempt from Board regulations."

The resolution, which was submitted to the Meeting by the Alberta Seed Growers' Association, pointed (Continued on Page 9)



While the terms for an armistice in Korea are still under discussion, and progress is frequently halted, war at sea continues, as well as in the air and to a limited extent on land. Here the U.S. battleship *New Jersey*, known as "Big Jay", is seen firing on North Korean and Chinese concentrations near Kaesong. At the truce talks, the Communists stated that at least 726 missing UN prisoners of U.S. forces are dead, have escaped or been released. Some were reported killed by allied air attacks and artillery fire while being marched from the front to prison camps; others dead of disease.

Appreciate Our Aid

HALIFAX, N.S. — On a 40,000-mile tour of Canadian, United States, British and French railway and shipping methods and facilities, J.Y. Khan, of Pakistan, will inspect the extensive Canadian National railways and port operations. On his arrival in Halifax recently, Mr. Khan stated that Canada's friendship and assistance has played an important part in the progress made by Pakistan in the past few months.

The number has not been large, and it is simply a "freak" situation.

It is predicted in the United States that there will be no surplus in beef production this year, and the forecast in that country is that there will be no real decline in prices until 1955. If prices of beef continue strong in the U.S. as anticipated, other meat

Increased Sales to U.K.

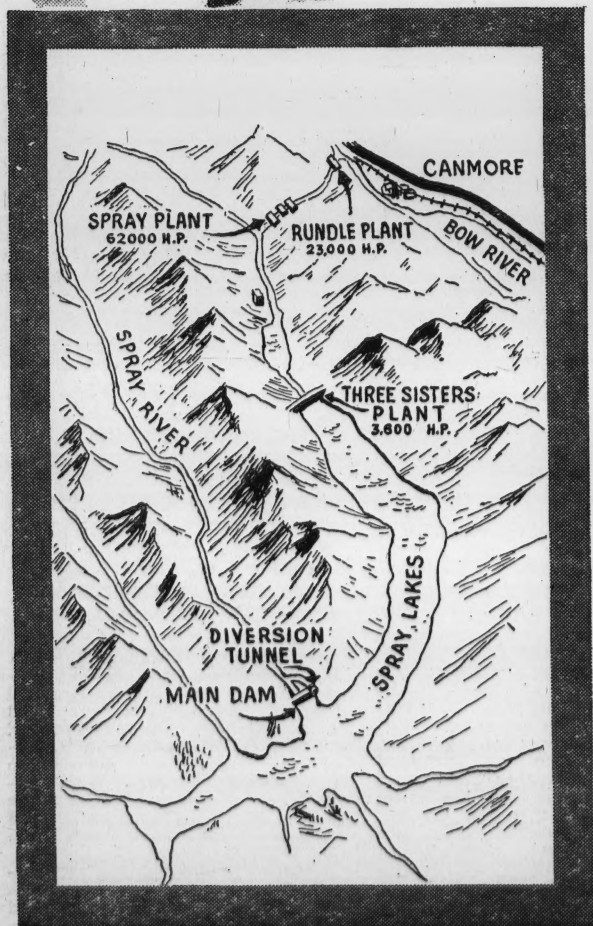
WASHINGTON, D.C. — Pattern of lard exports from the U.S. changed materially last year. There was a large increase in sales to Britain, and a smaller increase in the quantity shipped to Yugoslavia, while sales to Germany and Austria dropped sharply. Total exports of lard were 306,415 short tons.

prices will be affected.

Taking Toronto as a representative market in Canada, beef prices in the closing days of the year (steers at 100 lb. live weight) were \$34 to \$35. In September prices were \$33 to \$34, in mid July \$33.50 to \$34.50 and April \$32.50 to \$33, indicating steady and firm trend. On June 1st, the cattle population was estimated at 2 per cent above the previous June, and there has been some building up of herds.

CHEESE PRODUCTION — This is away down. Fluid milk prices are (Continued on Page 5)

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An Exchange of Letters

BELOW are reproduced a letter which has been received by Roy C. Marler, President of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture, from J. L. Phelps, President of the Saskatchewan Farmers' Union; and Mr. Marler's letter in reply:

SASKATCHEWAN FARMERS' UNION
HEAD OFFICE
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan,
December 18, 1951.

Mr. Roy Marler,
c/o Alberta Federation of Agriculture,
Calgary, Alta.
Dear Mr. Marler:

Was very sorry you were not in the convention hall at the time some of the delegates requested me to reply to some of the statements made by yourself to the Farmers' Union Convention in Calgary last week. Several delegates came to me and asked why I did not reply at the time you made the statement. The answer is obvious and I gave it to them without any hesitation, namely that I was a guest in Alberta and at the convention and that I would not claim the right to reply unless it was offered to me. Had you been a guest to the convention yourself, then of course the situation would have been different.

No doubt you have been informed that I made a public challenge before the convention to have a public debate at some central point here in Saskatchewan with your travelling expenses paid by the Union, or if you would prefer, it possibly could be arranged at some central point in Alberta at a time and place mutually agreeable, for the purpose of debating this whole question of the eligibility and practicability of the Federation under its present set-up presuming to be the only voice of the actual producer on the land. Had you been in the convention at the time I might have cited an incident that took place at the Western Conference at Winnipeg which, incidentally, was the first meeting of the Federation I ever attended officially, having to do with representations you made yourself on that occasion, but seeing that you were not in the convention, I told them I would defer some of these statements until a later date. I felt there was a time and a place for everything and I also felt it was not the place unless you were there and had an opportunity to hear it.

The incident I refer to had to do with your representations regarding a free choice by the producer in rail or live grading of hogs. You will recall at that meeting you spoke against optional grading, very strongly and after you had finished, one of the Farmers' Union delegates from Alberta arose to remind you that some of the producer organizations in Alberta as well as the organized farm movement and if I recall correctly, the A.F.A. itself had endorsed this policy of optional grading and as I recall it, quite distinctly questioned your right, and I think quite properly so, of expressing your own personal

views in the manner you did under the circumstances. Our Saskatchewan delegation remembers these incidents very distinctly. We also recall that you, maybe quite wisely, did not make any statement in reply and we took it from your silence that the stand of the organizations from your Province was as outlined. This only further bears out the contention of many that the Federation in the past on numerous occasions and by the very nature of its set-up has been largely representative of individual opinions and not necessarily always the opinion of the organizations which should speak for the actual producing farmers. However, as stated previously, I did not want to bring out these and other points unless you were there to hear and speak for yourself. It may, however, be necessary to use some of these incidents to illustrate our point in the not too distant future and if there is any comment you would care to make, or explanation of your statements made on the occasion referred to, we would appreciate receiving same.

Yours sincerely,

J. L. PHELPS,
President.

ALBERTA FEDERATION OF
AGRICULTURE

110 Clarke Building,
Edmonton, Alberta.
December 29th, 1951

Mr. J. L. Phelps, President,
Saskatchewan Farmers' Union,
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

Dear Mr. Phelps:

Your letter of December 18th, advising me of the public challenge that you made to me in my absence during the latter part of the F.U.A. Convention in Calgary has reached me after some delay through being addressed to the Calgary office and no doubt as a result of the Christmas holidays.

First of all I must say to you I would be most happy to debate with you the eligibility and practicability of the Federation to represent the actual producer of the land. However, as you know I am not in a position to do so in the manner that you would appreciate, as the Farmers' Union of Alberta has not taken issue with the Alberta Federation of Agriculture. Apparently your Union has done so in Saskatchewan as indicated in your address. As I mentioned to you in the hotel lobby just previous to taking the microphone to give correct information to the Convention, I have no responsibilities with respect to the Saskatchewan Federation. The Farmers' Union of Alberta is one of the 54 Agricultural Producers organizations in Alberta of which the A.F.A. is composed. The Union has been represented by three to six members on our Board since they were organized and never have they suggested any changes in our set up with the exception of retaining the larger representation on our Board.

It is with perplexity that I learn of your misunderstanding that the Federation presumes to be the only voice of the actual producer on the land. The contrary is the case. The intent of the Federation from the very beginning has been to expound the co-operative philosophy, the benefits that could result from the team work of agricultural organizations, the

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POWER OF UNITY

Every year which has passed since the various organizations of the farm people came together to co-ordinate their activities through what is now the Alberta Federation of Agriculture, has brought added evidence of the power of unity.

The Annual Meeting of the Federation whose sessions closed shortly after our last issue went to press was no exception. The meeting served to bring together men and women whose special knowledge and experience in different fields — from that of primary organization in local units of senior and junior farm people, to those of the commercial companies — was pooled to the advantage of all.

The reports of the President and Board and the Secretary covered a wide range of activities, all directed to the strengthening of the position of the farming industry. The year's achievement was an impressive one. Some decisions of the meeting are recorded in this issue, and others will be dealt with in our next.

CONGRATULATIONS

Another young farmer who has grown up in the junior branch of the primary organization has been named Nuffield Scholar from Western Canada. The award has been well-earned. We extend our congratulations to Bruce Ellis of Hualta, President of the Junior F.U.A., and wish him a happy and fruitful period of practical work and study in Britain.

A BRITISH VIEW

It is the universal testimony of those who are familiar with present-day British thinking on world affairs that the aim of the British people, who seek to make their contribution to the building up of economic and military strength in the West, is not the winning of the next war, but its prevention.

The fatalism which finds expression in some quarters in North America is rare among the British. War is not regarded as inevitable. Conservatives like Mr. Churchill and Mr. Eden, as well as Labor and Liberal statesmen, know that for the United Kingdom, the only real victory possible in the future is victory over the threat of war itself.

They wish to be strong; they are devoted to preservation of their own conception of freedom and democracy as are few other people on earth to theirs. These they would not surrender; but they would not support the launching from the West of any military "crusade" (such as one of our radio strategists has hinted at), however strong the West might become.

A significant view upon certain aspects of the present crisis is presented in the issue of *The New Republic* of New York of December 31st, by Captain Liddell Hart, whose high reputation as an analyst and critic in the military field has long been established.

THE DREAM

A brave new world we visioned, bold and splendid,

With man set free new vistas to explore;
The mind's enslavement to the hour's need ended,
The soul inspired upon new heights to soar.
The tides of peace through all the nations flowing,
Old wars forgotten and the last wound healed;
The harvest full of anguish in its sowing
So full of compensation in its yield.

Such was the dream that now is so beclouded
By foolish quarrels and the ancient lust
For power and place which once again has
shrouded

The universal goal in deep distrust.
And naught is left except to fan the spark
Of timid hope that flickers in the dark.

ISA GRINDLAY JACKSON

"The study of war has taught me," writes Captain Liddell Hart, "that almost every war was avoidable, that the outbreak was most often produced by statesmen losing their heads, or their patience, and putting their opponent in a position where he could not draw back without serious loss of 'face'. Clumsy efforts to forestall a feared aggression have too often provoked it — particularly where politically-inspired moves have jumped beyond strategic possibilities.

"... MacArthur's advance beyond the 38th parallel last autumn was the surest way of provoking the Chinese to intervene in the Korean conflict — after three months' hesitation on their part. It is a sad reflection on Western statesmen that they were carried away by the flush of success in regaining South Korea and made no effort to put a brake on the continuance of the advance.

"The statesmen of the Western democracies should have learned two fundamental lessons from their bitter and repeated experience since 1939. Don't try to bluff on an obviously weak hand. Do try to look at each step from the other side's viewpoint — BEFORE you take the step.

"To minimize provocation in building up our power of defence, we need to get into 'the other man's mind'. We must try to understand Communist-Russian mentality — not only its Marxist logic, missionary fervor, and urge for expansion of power, but its underlying fears, intense suspiciousness, and strange ignorance: all accentuated by prolonged isolation and the nature of its system.

"It would help us to understand, for example, what Russians may feel about American military activities in Iran, close to their vital sources of oil supply in the Caucasus, or about efforts to make Sweden join the Atlantic Alliance.

"It is evident that Soviet Russia does not want to venture on war, for if she did she would have struck before the West began to rearm, when the going would have been easy. The biggest risk now is that the Western powers may say or do things likely to make the Russian Government feel that the Western powers will take the offensive once their rearmament is completed. If the Russian Government becomes definitely convinced that such a stroke is certain to come, they will not be likely to wait for it....

"But the best safeguard of all is for all of us to keep cool. Indignation and exasperation are primary risks, for such emotions are all too likely to produce a fatal explosion. Nothing can be more fatal than the feeling, 'it's bound to come — let's get it over'. War is not a way OUT from danger and strain. It is a way DOWN into a pit of unknown depth.

"On the other hand, tension so intense as now is almost bound to relax eventually if war is postponed long enough.... But it is always dangerous to be too dynamic, and impatient, in trying to force the pace."

A.F.A. NOTES

By J. R. McFALL, Secretary

Experimental Farm Committee — Last spring the Alberta Federation of Agriculture appointed a farmer committee to function in an advisory capacity to the Experimental Station at Lacombe.

The setting up of this committee is a new effort on the part of the Federation and was prompted in response to a resolution passed at the last annual meeting. While this committee is only on trial at the present time it is felt that its services can be invaluable in voicing farm opinion on various production problems in relation to farming and as a liaison between the Station and farm people. Through its studies it will also function as an advisory body to the A.F.A. Board of Directors.

The first meeting of this committee was held at the Lacombe station last June. The full staff of the station was present and a detail study of work being carried on was made.

On November 8th the committee held its second meeting in Edmonton to consider previous studies and to prepare a report dealing with their findings.

This report was made available to the Board of Directors for further study. It was endorsed by them and recommended for consideration by the annual meeting.

The delegates in annual meeting recommended two short additions which will be made before the brief is sent to the C.F.A. for consideration by the Experimental Farm Services and the Dominion Department of Agriculture.

The committee members include Roy C. Marler, Chairman; Arthur Grenville, Morrin; Peter Wyllie, Leduc; R. H. Carlyle, Blackfalds; Harold McLaughlin, Spruce Grove. Also the writer as Secretary.

Western Agricultural Conference — Following our regular procedure, all resolutions dealing with inter-provincial and national issues and as endorsed by our recent annual meeting, will be forwarded to the Western Agricultural Conference for consolidation and endorsement by the Federations of Agriculture in other Western Provinces.

The Western Conference this year meets at Winnipeg on January 17th and 18th. This is just prior to the C.F.A. annual meeting which opens at Montreal on January 21st. The representation at the W.A.C. includes 6 voting delegates from each Provincial Federation. This year the Alberta delegation will be: Roy C. Marler, Ben S. Plumer, L. E. Pharis. These men are also appointed to the C.F.A. Board so will go on to the Montreal meeting. Other W.A.C. delegates include Mrs. W. C. Taylor, Hugh Allen and Carl Antonson.

Farm Forum Programs for January — Farm Forum during the month of January will discuss three very important topics. The program January 7th was, "Should We Increase Production?" On January 14th the dis-

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Describes Romantic
Early History of UGG

Something of the early history of United Grain Growers, pioneer farm co-operative in Western Canada, was told in a New Year's broadcast by Hon. J. E. Brownlee, K.C., president of the Company.

Originated forty-five years ago by a group of farmers in Saskatchewan in an effort to improve conditions in the marketing of their grain, its early history was precarious, said Mr. Brownlee; and "as romantic as that of the Rochdale pioneers". Today, 46,000 farmers in Western Canada control the company; its 625 Prairie elevators and vote of patronage dividends of \$625,000 for the past year, were mentioned. Mr. Brownlee also referred to the "invisible dividends" — effective competition of a strong farm co-operative, and contribution to all social and educational movements.

The "heart-breaking harvest" of the past year was discussed; and, incidentally, the difficulties of an elevator company in handling great quantities of grain reduced in grade, tough and damp.

The International Wheat Agreement, its advantages and disadvantages, and the effect of present inflationary trends, were closely examined.

Annual Price Review Asked

Annual reviewing of prices of wheat sold under the International Wheat Agreement was called for by the Inter-provincial Farm Union Council meeting in Saskatoon a few days ago. The "inflexible price ceiling", it was stated, took no account of changing conditions over the years. President Phelps of the S.F.U. heads the council, and President Henry Young of the F.U.A. and Jake Shulz of the M.F.U. are Vice-Presidents. H. B. Blaine of Saskatoon is Secretary.

OTTAWA LETTER

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high and it is very profitable for producers to sell in this form. There is also an increased demand for condensed and dried milk, and there has also been a big increase in dry skimmed milk. Because of higher profits, the weight of production is on the side of the fluid and dried milk. Next on the list in dairy production is butter, and the last from the point of view of net return under present conditions is cheese. In the past year 10 million pounds of butter were imported from New Zealand and Europe, and there is an option on another 5 million from New Zealand.

EGGS PRODUCTION — After contracts with Britain were cancelled, the production of eggs declined, and from last fall supply has been short. Prices were high in consequence. Canada bought eggs from U.S. and Holland. Within several months past prices have declined, and with some increase in production, we will have more eggs than needed. There will likely be a surplus for the next 6 to 9 months. Egg prices will be lower in the present year.

cussion will deal with farm credit, a very important issue under the title, "Is There Enough Farm Credit?" The last discussion program for January will be on the 21st and will originate at the C.F.A. annual meeting at Montreal. The title is "What's Wrong With Our Farm Organizations?" This topic should be of considerable interest to both those who have complaints with regard to our farm organizations and those who feel that they are doing a reasonably satisfactory job.

Veterans' Section F.U.A.

Officers of the Veterans' Section of the F.U.A., elected during the week of the Annual Meeting were: President, Varno Westersund, Blackie; Vice-President, Jonathan Wheatley, Chancellor; Secretary, Terence Oldford, Red Deer; Alternate Delegate, Dennis Scott, Penhold.

COMPANIONSHIP

Life is a beautiful comrade,
Take her by the hand,
And lead her through Fields and Meadows
Which border Fairy Land.
She will not leave nor desert you —
She is Yours to have and to hold —
She will reward Life's labors
And return you Gold for Gold.
She is a willing servant,
Ready with brain and hand —
Eager to meet your questions —
Eager to Understand.
Give her the Artist's Brushes
And point toward a Star —
She will paint your picture
Better than you are.
She will brush out the Shadows
That darken your sober face
And of your glowing anger,
Leave not the faintest trace.
She will paint a picture of you
Your best friends would not know —
So, grasp her hand and hold it
Through all Life's Winds that blow.

— BERT HUFFMAN.

Kensington House Hospital,
R.R. No. 4,
New Westminster, B.C.

NOTE FROM MR. HUFFMAN

Mr. Huffman, who is over 80, appended the following note to his verses.

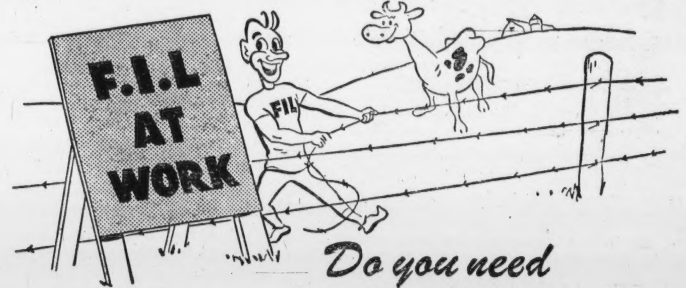
"When you have space you may wish to inflict this enclosed verse upon your Helpless Readers. In these times of tension and uneasiness, there are many subjects more vital than Poetry, but it beautifies life, I think, to mix the dark with the light, the gloomy with the lightsome.

"We have 8 inches of snow in this 'Banana Belt', and I notice every car's top is covered with a deep crust of the 'Beautiful'.

"Of course, you never have any BAD weather in dear old Calgary — it is in the Famous Chinook Wind Belt, of which I have written many millions of Lies, but for which I hope to be forgiven.

HIGHER BUSINESS VOLUME

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Most Important Step

The adoption by the Federal Parliament of legislation to stop the practice of resale price maintenance by manufacturers and business corporations, has been described in some government circles as one of the most important steps ever taken in the pricing field.

The Government has been subjected to one of the heaviest

and most determined lobbies yet undertaken by big business. The pressure has been terrific. Some of Canada's biggest industrialists and corporation heads have been up to Parliament Hill reading the riot act to the Federal Cabinet and telling it where to head in on the issue.

If ever a Government needed help and support to do something which seems right and just, it is now.

Pressed for by Federation

Because the Canadian Federation of Agriculture was one of the organizations originating the demand for this legislation, it behooves Federation member bodies to bend every effort to rally support for the enforcement of the legislation, and let the Government know the feelings of organized agriculture.

The Federation denounced the private price fixing system before the McQuarrie Commission, and that commission agreed with this view and reported to the Government against the practice, recommending the legislation now proposed.

The practice of resale price maintenance by private corporations who dictate the price at which wholesalers and retailers must sell their products, has been going on for years.

Main Evils of Practice

Its main evils are:

1. A system of private price fixing to protect profits at margins determined by private business itself.

2. A system which prevents the efficient retailer from selling goods to the public at his own prices, which often could be lower prices, thereby depriving the consuming public of the benefits of efficient management.

3. A system in which a very bad feature is when control is carried to the point where suppliers withhold supplies if their designated resale price is not maintained.

Vitality Concerned

Organized agriculture is vitally concerned because:

1. As ordinary every-day consumers, since it is estimated that at least 35 per cent of retail sales in Canada are made under this system of private price fixing.

2. Are directly concerned as farmers, in the fact that nearly all lines of farm supplies and equipment and machinery are sold under this system, as well as automobiles, tires, electric appliances, and such.

Essential Differences

But farmers fix prices, too, say some people.

There are two vital points of difference between the resale price maintenance system, and the price fixing system supported by organized agriculture:

1. The so-called price fixing

asked for and received by farmers on farm products is not price fixing at profit-protecting levels, but price support at minimum or "stop-loss" levels.

2. The price support program on farm products is developed by public authority under public legislation, or by a board named by public authority. In short, it is price arranging in public under public supervision.

Such so-called price fixing is therefore done in the public view and with the public knowledge, and with opportunity for public representations. The price fixing under the resale price maintenance system is entirely a private affair, without access by the public, or by public authority, to the process.

Dairy Pool Notes

Don't forget your Dairy Co-operative is alert, watching its patrons' interests year in year out.

We are glad to report that our Director for the Lacombe district, Mr. Bert Bradley, is progressing nicely and is now back home and we wish him a speedy recovery.

We are happy to announce the marriage of one of our Directors, Mr. J. A. (Alec) Ross of Duhamel to Mrs. Helen Brager of Bawlf. The ceremony was performed January 27th at Daysland, and to Alec and his bride we wish many years of happiness.



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PRESIDENT J. A. WOOD
BRINGS FRATERNAL
GREETINGS TO FUA

Tribute to the Eclipse Local of the old U.F.A. at Alix who took the initial steps in the organization of co-operative marketing of dairy products in Alberta was paid by James A. Wood, President of the Central Alberta Dairy Pool, when he brought fraternal greetings from the Pool to the Annual Convention of the Farmers' Union of Alberta, in Calgary. Mr. Wood outlined the record of achievement of the Pool in succeeding years.

"All dairy farmers living in Alberta today, and for the past 27 years," said Mr. Wood, "are indebted to the efforts of the Eclipse Local of the old U.F.A. of Alix, Alberta, for the organization and starting of what are known as the Dairy Pools of Alberta — Northern and Central.

Proud of Record

"We in Central are proud of our record of achievement. We operate the only condensery in the three Western Provinces. We also have 17 creameries, 1 cheese factory, 2 poultry killing plants, 17 egg stations, 2 locker units, 1 meat market and one honey processing unit, and have a fluid milk distribution at eight plants.

"During these first 26 years we have paid out in cash final payments close to \$400,000.00, and issued over 1 million dollars in participations, or a grand total of close to 1 1/4 million dollars, and have redeemed in cash close to \$500,000.00 of participations issued in cash to date. Total of final payments \$900,000.00. Also during these 26 years, we have invested over 1 1/4 million dollars in plants, equipment and land.

"Twenty-seven years ago, cream prices were 7 to 8c a pound butterfat below butter

prices. Today cream prices are 1 to 3c above butter prices.

"In 1939 the average hourly wage in Canadian industries was 42.7c per hour, and a person had to work 15.6 minutes to buy a quart of milk. In 1951 the average hourly wage of these workers has increased to 115.86c per hour, and he has to work only 10.1 minutes to buy a quart of milk. In 1939 he worked 41.2 minutes to buy a pound of butter; in 1951 he can buy a pound of butter for 35.2 minutes work.

"Canada's overall milk production dropped 1 billion pounds in 1950, and we have a further drop in 1951. Canada's cow population is down about 12% or 500,000 cows.

"In closing, I would like to quote the following, taken from **Butter-fat**, the official paper of the Fraser Valley Milk Producers:

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"Now we are eating Bossy, for milk does not pay;
The cost of feed is far too high, there's a scarcity of hay.

The dairy farmer felt the pinch of rising prices, too,
And could not live by milk cows, much as he wanted to.

The city housewife who has railed against the price she paid,

Will likely never realize the blunder she has made,
But when her grandchild has a babe, she must feed the tot herself,
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"Remember . . . that the co-operative exists to make a profit for its owners, just as the privately-owned business does. But the profits of the co-operative are the savings of your home-town neighbors and they stay in your community. The profits of the privately-owned plants go to the stockholders who may or may not live in your community.

" . . . the co-operative serves as a good yardstick in setting prices for the privately-owned companies. When farmers sell their produce to the privately-owned organizations any better prices received is because of the existence of co-operatives."

(To be Continued)

Oppose Gas Export

Reaffirming a resolution which was adopted at the Annual Meeting of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture a year ago, delegates to the Annual Meeting held in Calgary in December went on record as being "opposed to the export of natural gas" from Alberta. A resolution along similar lines was passed by the Alberta Wheat Pool at its annual meeting, and the Farmers' Union of Alberta also took a strong stand, in Annual Convention, against gas export.

Federation Request**Importation of Grain
Dryers Free of Duty**

Importation of grain dryers duty free by groups of bona fide farmers for their own use was asked by the Alberta Federation of Agriculture in annual session in Calgary.

These dryers are now exempt from tariff if purchased by an individual farmer. However, the Federation sets forth, "if farmers combine to purchase this expensive equipment then a heavy duty is imposed."

The Federation asks further that "other complementary equipment for drying hay and grain, including moisture testers and steel flooring be included on the duty free list."

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Revenue From Farm Products

OTTAWA, Ont. — Canadian farmers, states the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, received an estimated \$1,864,900,000 from the sale of farm products and from grain adjustment payments during the first nine months of 1951, as compared with \$1,487,600,000 in the same period of 1950.

Weaving is going on in Pakistan on about half a million handlooms.

WORLD CHRONICLE

Dec. 20th. — With determined U.S. backing, Greece wins seat on UN Security Council; deadlock broken in 19th ballot; Canada, Australia, New Zealand and Pakistan believed to have supported Byelorussia. British steel shortage will be solved, declares W. L. Batt, head of U.S. economic aid program, in London.



Dr. C. J. MacKenzie
(see Dec. 26th)

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Dec. 22nd. — Ridgway urges immediate exchange of all sick and wounded prisoners, in Korea. "I have nothing to propose to you that is easy," declares Churchill, in pre-Christmas broadcast; on the whole, he says, he doesn't think war will come. Britain warns Iran against efforts to sell oil until international courts have ruled on ownership.

Dec. 23rd. — Pre-armistice exchange

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of sick and wounded prisoners rejected in Korea. Truman says U.S. can't stand steel strike, urges delay until wage stabilization board holds hearings.

Dec. 24th. — British unions demand government action on unemployment in clothing and furniture trades. Ottawa says about 150,000 immigrants entered Canada this year; 100,000 is objective for 1952.

Dec. 25th. — Tolerance and friendliness in British Commonwealth extolled by King in Christmas message; sends special greetings to Britons fighting in Malaya and Korea. New agreement signed by Anglo-Iranian subsidiaries with Iraq. King Farouk of Egypt, appoints pro-British Amr Pasha advisor on foreign affairs; second similar appointment in two days. Communists brand as false charge of UN command that captured South Koreans had been forced into North Korean army.

Dec. 26th. — Trygve Lie, broadcasting over Scandinavian network, sees slight improvement in East-West relations. Pravda criticises appointment of G. F. Kennan as U.S. ambassador to Russia because of his previous connection with anti-Soviet organizations. Riots in Cairo and Alexandria follow Farouk's new appointments; state of emergency declared. U.K. railroads announce 10 per cent increase in passenger fares. Exchange of atomic information between Canada and U.S. is mainly one-way — southwards — states Dr. C. J. MacKenzie.

Dec. 27th. — Plans are being considered to bring all NATO agencies under one roof (in Paris), and to form super-cabinet to carry them on, states London despatch. Oil strike reported in sheikdom of Kuwait, on Persian gulf; property held jointly by Gulf and Anglo-Iranian companies. Rioting continues in Cairo: high schools closed. Panmunjom talks to continue beyond thirty-day limit, now reached.

Dec. 28th. — U.S. pays fines of four airmen jailed on charges in Hungary to secure their release; retaliates by forbidding Americans to travel in Hungary, and closing two Hungarian consulates in the U.S. Churchill to spend four days in Ottawa during North American visit. Allies capture "Christmas Hill" in Korea; position changes hands for fourth time in three days.

Dec. 29th. — First electrical power has been produced from atomic energy in U.S., states Chicago despatch. British and Egyptian authorities agree on six-mile no-man's land between troops on Cairo-Suez road.

Dec. 30th. — Western world is a long way from security, but in better position to resist aggression than a year ago, says St. Laurent in New Year broadcast.

Dec. 31st. — At midnight, new mutual security agency replaces Marshall Aid plan, which has spent nearly \$12.5 billions in Europe.

Jan. 1st. — World bank may be able to solve Iranian oil dispute, says Mosaddegh, according to Tehran report. Shots are exchanged at Ismailia; no casualties reported. Premier Plevin to ask French parliament for vote of confidence on budget; heavy spending on arms provided for. Washington reports large-scale preparations for internment of subversives in time

Farm Prices Down Again

OTTAWA, Ont. — Farm prices of agricultural products declined in October for the third successive month, states a recent release from the Dominion Bureau of statistics.

of emergency.

Jan. 2nd. — UN delegation at Panmunjom proposes "all for all" prisoner exchange; deadlock continues on control of air power build-up during armistice. Truman calls for sweeping reorganization of internal



M. LITVINOFF

revenue bureau, shaken by series of scandals. Washington denies reports of split with Britain over Egypt. I. L. O. official reaches Egypt to investigate charges that Britain is using forced labor in canal zone. Italian Communists charge that creation of European army is Roman Catholic plot to dominate continent. Maxim Litvinoff, Russian diplomat, dies.

Jan. 3rd. — UN Security Council urged by Vishinsky to hold special high-level meetings on world tensions; and to intervene in Korean truce negotiations. Washington report says Russian jet bombers are as good as the best U.S. has.

Jan. 4th. — British Government to consider plans for building experimental atomic furnace, to produce electricity. Canadian cost-of-living down fraction of point in November. Washington states U.S. will consult Britain before launching atomic bombs from U.K. bases. U.S. steel strike postponed for 45 days. Moscow reports 1951 steel and iron quota filled before end of year. Smaller nations support Russian proposals for special security council meeting. Argentine government rations gasoline, takes over bankrupt Buenos Aires City Transport.

Jan. 5th. — Churchill arrives in Washington. U.S. defence production administrator Fleischmann states Britain doing more in rearming than any other U.S. ally. London despatch says former opponents of Hitler are being subjected to underground persecution by neo-Nazis. U.S. agrees to lend India \$50 million for development projects. Helsinki reports Russia will enter 1952 Olympic games.

Jan. 6th. — U.S. orders rollback of 5 to 10 cents in potato prices.

Jan. 7th. — King George to make cruise to South Africa for his health. Stafford Cripps suffers relapse, returns to Switzerland for treatment. Plevin Government defeated. New Delhi reports discovery of sulphur in Kashmir. Officials assemble in London, prepare for conference of Commonwealth Finance Ministers to open January 15th.

Jan. 8th. — After two-day strike, Egyptian workers on Suez Canal return to work. UN political committee votes to authorize UN call on NATO and similar groups to combat aggression.

Jan. 9th. — Only big difference now dividing Korean truce negotiations is building of air landing strips. Four day talks of Churchill and Truman were great success, is report.

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A.F.A. Also Calls for Much More Vigorous Measures to Curb Inflation

Strong representations made to the Dominion Government by the Canadian Federation of Agriculture in favor of the outlawing of "price maintenance and price fixation", were endorsed by the Alberta Federation of Agriculture in Annual Meeting. Since the representations were made, legislation such as was requested has been enacted. (When the passage of the legislation was delayed by protracted debate in the House of Commons, a letter urging its enactment was sent to Members of Parliament by H. H. Hannam, President of the C.F.A.).

Threatening Price Trends

"Much more vigorous measures than have yet been attempted to curb inflation in Canada" was called for in another resolution. This set forth that "it is evident from statements emanating from the Government Departments and from the producers' own knowledge of present price trends and price levels, that there will be a decline in farm prices during the coming year", and that there "have already been announced general increases in the price of farm supplies such as machinery, farm labor, clothing and general farm equipment during the coming year."

"A much more vigorous policy of immigration of northern European people with an agricultural background to meet the most alarming labor shortage that has ever been faced in Western Canada," was called for.

SEED GRAIN STOCKS (Continued From Page 1)

out that in large areas a great proportion of the harvest has not been completed, and that "judging from similar conditions existing last spring, much of the grain now lying in swath will not be suitable for seeding purposes, and that a serious seed situation exists in consequence." It was also set forth that farmers may now "exchange low grade wheat for wheat of higher grades by paying the regular Wheat Board spreads if sufficient

Don't Want But Accept



While the nomination of George F. Kennan (above) as U.S. Ambassador to the U.S.S.R. provoked vigorous protest in the Moscow press, the Soviet Government did not challenge the appointment and he will be accepted. Kennan put forward some years ago proposals for the "containment" of Russia, and the newspaper *Pravda* denounced him as a supporter of anti-Soviet organizations.

quantities of high grade grain suitable for seed purposes are held at Alberta points" to meet this need.

Oppose Freight Rate Increase

Very strong opposition to any demands of the railways for increase in the domestic freight rates on grain was expressed, in a resolution which pointed out that the railways have already been successful in having general freight rates raised, "these increases being passed on in part to the farmers of Western Canada".

"We have been able to hold the line as far as the Crow's Nest rate is concerned," the resolution set forth, "but this may be attacked at any time."

Support Coarse Grain Act

The meeting went on record unanimously in support of "the policy of the present Coarse Grain Act."

The Federal Government was urged to provide "that all wheat sold for domestic consumption shall be adjusted from time to time in accordance with changes in the domestic economy on the basis of \$2.25 per bushel at December 19th, 1951."

Endorsing "the principle" involved, the meeting urged the Federal Government to "seek a continuation of an International Wheat Agreement."

Investigation Into Packing Industry

Support was given by the delegates to a motion in the House of Commons which called for an investigation under the Combines Act into the buying methods of the packing industry in Canada, particularly the methods of buying hogs. The opinion was expressed that "an examination into the methods of the packers would be to the benefit of the livestock industry and would clear up many misunderstandings and points of dissatisfaction in the minds of livestock producers."

Expansion of Extension Services in the grey wooded soil areas of the Province, where special treatment by way of tillage, crops and fertilizer is desirable, was asked for by the meeting. It was urged that the men in extension service in these areas be enabled to give a more personalized service and assist with practical demonstrations.

Price of Fertilizer

Pointing out that the price for fertilizers "has advanced approximately \$10 a ton during the same period the price of wheat has declined," the meeting adopted a resolution from the F.U.A. Convention asking Head Office "to take whatever action is deemed advisable in order to get the price of fertilizers set more in line

Will Spend Over Half Million on Advertising

TORONTO, Ont. — Directors of CUNA Mutual Insurance Society have approved plans for a \$591,800 advertising program, states Leonard Mitchell, Canadian director, on his return from a quarterly meeting in St. Louis, Ill., recently.

with the price of grain."

Recommendation was made, in accordance with a F.U.A. resolution, that "Ducks Unlimited, the Alberta Fish and Game Association and the Provincial Government set up a fund to reimburse farmers who have had their crops damaged by ducks"; and that "the Provincial Government raise hunters' license fees to add to this fund;" further, that the bag limit of ducks be raised.

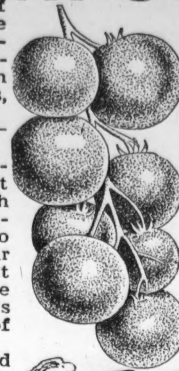
The Alberta Government was asked to put a bounty of \$100 a head on timber wolves.

Taxation of Government Buildings

It was urged that all Government buildings which are used for commercial purposes (such as liquor stores and treasury branches) be taxed on an equal basis with private organizations. The intention is that school districts and municipalities shall receive the benefit of such taxes "which are now lost and in some cases amount to a considerable sum."

Stressing the fact that the operation of school vans in Municipal Districts and Local Improvement Districts and special areas has created a serious problem (when roads are blocked in winter and soft in summer) for children at the extreme ends of the

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routes, the meeting asked the Alberta Government to review the whole school van policy, in accordance with the following principles:

Keeping Van Routes Open

1. All school van routes be constructed, maintained and treated as District Highways.
2. The Department of Public Works to provide machinery to keep all van routes open throughout the school term.
3. All school van routes be gravelled.

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Ex-Prairie People's Thoughts Turn "Back Home"

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Dear Farm Women:

Probably the thoughts of most of the ex-prairie people who are now at the Coast have been much "back home" of late. They have heard with such regret of the tricks the weather has been playing, and while they regret the havoc which may have been wrought in any place, there is always the additional wonder and hope that it didn't strike their own old district. It is difficult to be absolutely universal in our wishes.

Someone commented to me today that this was a regular winter here, but it didn't seem so to me. Because while it was cold it was not our prairie winter cold, but a cold with pouring rain and altogether a wretched day. However, we have to accept which ever form it takes and make the most of it.

The Havoc on the Prairies

And when I think of the havoc the early wintry storms made for people on the prairie, I realize that to all whose crops have suffered there is disappointment and loss; and to some it has come in a stage of their family life when it seems difficult to see and think past the immediate calamity. It may be that their whole after life and the life of their family may have to pay a tremendous price for this freak of nature. Happily, there is the other side. The loss may not seem as great as at first expected, and what seemed a loss in some instances may later prove to make for the best.

And there are such different ways in which the loss is accepted. There is the disappointment which comes from the sense of having failed in an undertaking for no doubt when the crops were put in there were visions of what might be also the financial loss. And of course sometimes we hear the greatest outcries from among those who are the better able to stand the loss. Others accept and with courage prepare for another season; for it always seems to me that it takes a certain amount of courage to mentally weigh the losses and yet go on.

Courage of the Earlier Settlers

And I think that even so soon we are somewhat inclined to forget the courage of the early settlers on the prairies who year after year suffered the disappointment of frozen crops before the more frost-resistant varieties were introduced. Also many of these people were living with so few of what had seemed to them the necessities a few years before but were now classed with the luxuries for them. There were some who

"couldn't take it" as they say; but many had courage to continue and were glad afterwards that they had done so.

It would seem that courage in our fellow humans is one of the qualities most admired. During the unfortunate war years there has unfortunately been too much opportunity for the displaying of that characteristic. The highest award that can be given is for physical courage.

And there are other different kinds. The other night I was talking to someone who had attended a social gathering and noted a lame man, wearing a hearing-aid, enter the hall. Later in the evening, in the course of conversation with him, he remarked that he was losing his eye sight. "But we have to accept these things", he said, "I am learning Braille". There was no complaining about the physical losses he had already suffered, and the inevitable, even more dreaded one ahead. He simply remarked, "I am learning Braille". Do you not call that courage? What a lesson for us all!

So what can I wish you better than that, if you have found yourself in life in a place where you need courage, that it be given you.

Yours sincerely,
H. ZELLA SPENCER.

NOTE: In order to give as extensive coverage as possible to the Annual Meeting of the Farm Women's Union of Alberta, we regret that it was necessary to hold over Mrs. Spencer's letter from our last issue. — Editor.

News of Women's Locals

South Berry Creek F.W.U.A. (Cessford) report a profit of \$125 from their annual bazaar and dance.

Mrs. P. Knapp, Miss Lothian and Mrs. C. Wagar were elected by Ranfurly F.W.U.A. at their annual meeting. A dance was planned for this week.

"Vanesti Work Basket" Local of the F.W.U.A., near Paradise Valley, recently paid \$90 to have a telephone put in the district school, reports Mrs. D. Flewell, secretary.

Champlain F.W.U.A. (Brosseau) recently decided to buy a coal oil stove for use in preparing lunches. Officers for this year are Mesdames M. Stienhauer, A. Diapaka and L. Coutu.

A ple social and dance has been arranged by Rovee F.W.U.A. (Hines Creek) for tonight, January 11th. The bazaar and dance held earlier in the winter was very successful, reports the secretary, Mrs. W. J. Edmunds.

A board meeting to plan a program for 1952, is being held by Clover Bar F.W.U.A. writes Mrs. Gordon Clark. Recently a joint meeting was held with the men's Local, to hear Convention reports.

Park Grove F.W.U.A. recently arranged a joint meeting with the men's Local to hear Convention reports. Mrs. A. Gafka, Mrs. J. Nicholson and Mrs. W. Ziegler are the officers for 1952.

The handsome sum of \$161 was the net profit from a very successful tea and bazaar held by Craigmyle F.W.U.A. A lot in town has been

THIS CO-OPERATIVE MAKES SPECTACULAR CUT HOSPITAL COSTS

SHELBURNE, Ont. — Effective January 1st, members will receive a 50 per cent discount on charges at the Co-operative Nursing Centre here. Opened a little more than a year ago, the 12-bed centre now offers a 20 per cent discount to members, but increased economies make possible the greater saving. The present rate is \$5.50 per day, so that after the first of the year members will pay \$2.75 per day. The annual membership fee is \$5 for an individual or \$10 for an entire family. Leaders in the project state that one of its purposes is to serve as a yardstick for measuring hospitalization costs in rural areas.

bought by the Local for a rest room, which will be their meeting place. New officers are Mrs. Golds, Mrs. O. Aaserud and Mrs. A. Aaserud.

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Training of General Practitioner Should Be Given Highest Priority

This is Federation View Ex- pressed in Public Health Resolution

That the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, through its Provincial bodies, shall "promote a course of training for the general practitioner in our medical schools which would be given top priority in status and training," is the view expressed in a resolution adopted by the Alberta Federation of Agriculture in Convention. The resolution originated in the Convention of the F.U.A.

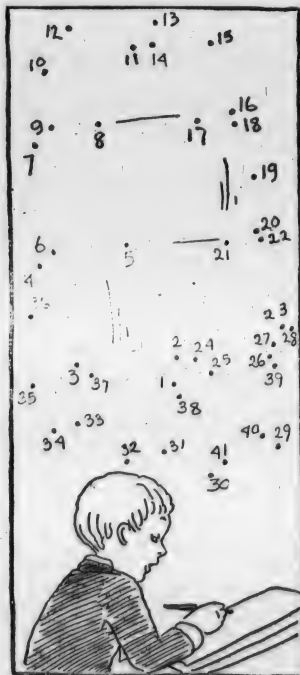
It is proposed that the course should be "directed by highly qualified general practitioners and co-ordinated with apprenticeship with carefully selected community doctors who shall be recognized as teachers out in the field;" that "a reasonable proportion of student applications from rural areas be accepted at all universities for training in medicine." Community action should be encouraged, to "make medical practice in rural areas more satisfying."

Consultation With Department

The A.F.A., it is also proposed, should "consult with the Provincial Department of Public Health in exploring the most effective means of utilizing Federal financial assistance in developing a health program in this Province."

"It is indicated that "governments at all levels have given leadership in pointing to a new role for the family physician far surpassing present scope and importance," and that the C.F.A. has insisted that the "medical, physical and social development of the family should be the basis" of planning for the promotion of national health.

Little Folks' Puzzle



A HISTORY LESSON

Frank was asked to draw a picture of something that occurred in 1492. "Oh! I know a very important thing which happened!" said Frank. Join all the numbered dots together, starting with dot number one and ending with dot number forty-one and you will see what Frank sketched. Frank says it is the Santa Maria. Color with your paints or crayons.

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Potato Soup: Simmer 1 large stalk celery, and 1 thick slice of onion with 2 coarsely cut up carrots; after 15 minutes add half a dozen medium-sized potatoes, (using only enough water to cover) and boil until potatoes are soft. Drain; remove the celery, mash other vegetables; add 1 tsp. salt, 2 tbs. butter and 2 of flour, blending well; then add the vegetable water and 2 or 3 cups rich milk, and heat. Sprinkle each serving with a little curry powder.

Plainly cut dresses: that are worn about the neck and armholes can give useful service as everyday slips; cut out sleeves, cut down neckline, and hem edges.

Egg Stains: on silver can be removed easily by rubbing with a little baking soda on a damp cloth. Silver washed regularly in a mild baking soda solution retains its brightness well.

Laying Hens: prefer water to snow, and it's much better for them, as tests have proved.

Excess Weight: if not caused by disease, can best be cut down by reducing the intake of richer foods such as candy, pastries, cakes and creamy pies, without going short of any of the necessary nutrients for the maintenance of the body, says the Department of National Health and Welfare.

Native Trees and Shrubs: Recommended by the Dominion Experimental Station at Lethbridge for land-

scaping are: Saskatoon, Paper Birch, Red Twig Dogwood, Silverberry (Wolf Willow), Mock Orange, High Bush Cranberry, Hawthorn, Junipers, Cottonwoods, Balsam Poplar, Buffalo Berry, Chokecherry.

Rhubarb Varieties: Recommended by the Dominion Experimental Station at Beaverlodge are Macdonald, Valentine and Irish Giant.

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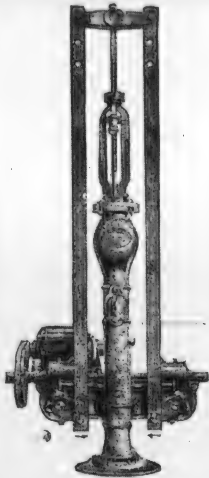
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The Wheat Situation

By E. PATCHING, Publicity Dept.,
Alberta Wheat Pool

World trade in wheat and flour in the 1951-52 crop year is expected to total about 900 million bushels, as compared with 890 million estimated for 1950-51. Exports from the four principal exporting countries — United States, Canada, Australia and Argentina — are expected to total about 800 million bushels. Other countries, including the Soviet Union, may export about 100 million bushels. A breakdown of the 816 million bushels of wheat and flour exported by the four principal exporting countries in 1950-51, is as follows:

United States	365,000,000 bus.
Canada	221,000,000 bus.
Australia	127,000,000 bus.
Argentina	103,000,000 bus.

World Wheat Production

World wheat production in 1951 is now estimated at 6,600 million bushels as compared with 6,320 million in 1950, and the 1935-39 average of 6,020 million.

The wheat crop in the deficit areas of Western Europe is smaller than that of 1950, increasing import needs in most of those countries. Spain is the exception, having harvested an excellent wheat crop.

A large part of Europe's import needs this crop year will have to come from North America, since both Australia and Argentina have smaller crops in prospect than in 1950. The estimate of wheat production in Argentina is around 125 million bushels, and in Australia around 160 million.

There is an excellent demand for both Canadian and United States wheat at the present time. The prospects for heavy sales of Canadian feed wheat appear to be good.

A.F.A. ANNUAL MEETING (Continued from Page 9)

The resolution on this subject originated in the F.U.A. Convention.

The Provincial Government was asked to reduce the license rate on farm trucks "in proportion to that on cars." (F.U.A. resolution), it being pointed out that "a car up to 120-inch wheel base can be licensed for \$15, while a half-ton truck costs \$25, while in many farm families small trucks are used in place of the family car.

Farm machine companies were asked (F.U.A. resolution) to "standardize power take-offs on farm tractors in regard to speed, direction, etc.," and it was also asked that rubber tire implements be standardized "so as to be interchangeable as far as possible."

Livestock Market Review

CALGARY STOCKYARDS, Jan. 9th.
— Hogs sold yesterday \$26.50, sows \$17.25; good lambs \$32.25. Good to choice butcher steers \$31 to \$32.50, down to \$25 for common; good to choice butcher heifers \$30 to \$31.50, down to \$25 for common; good cows, \$22.50 to \$24, down to \$19; canners and cutters, \$14 to \$18.50. Good stocker and feeder steers \$27 to \$29; good to choice veal calves \$32 to \$34.

EDMONTON STOCKYARDS, Jan. 7th.
— While there were strong trends earlier in the week, this market closed on Friday on a weaker note. The bulk of choice steers sold at \$32.50 to \$33.50, with odd topners reaching \$34; top heifers rated \$31 to \$32. Good butcher cows were about 50 cents higher for the week, at \$23 to \$24. The demand for feeder cattle was somewhat weak, and prices were on the easier side. Good to choice handy-weight lambs sold \$29 to \$31; hogs sold \$28.50, Grade A, for shipment.

The Dairy Market

An increase of 1 cent has brought Special cream, locally, to 68 cents; No. 1 to 66, No. 2 to 57, and off-grade to 51 cents. Butter prints, wholesale, are 68 cents for No. 1, 65 for No. 2 and 61 for No. 3.

Egg and Poultry Market

Local egg prices to producers are: A1 large 38, medium 33, small 31; A, 33 down to 28; B 29, C 24 and crax 22. Rail grade or dressed chicken, over 5 lbs. are 41 for A, 36 for B and 28 for C; 4-5 lbs., 39 down to 25; under 4 lbs. 34 down to 22. Fowl, over 5 lbs., 33 for A, 30 for B and 23 for C. 4 to 5 lbs., 31 down to 21; under 4, 28 down to 18 cents.

Family Membership

A family membership fee, to take effect in the next membership year, was decided upon by the F.U.A. It will be on the basis of \$5 per family (including children up to 21 years of age), for the first quarter-section of land, or less, with \$2 for each additional quarter or major part of a quarter, up to a maximum of \$10; 20 per cent to be returned to the districts.

As originally introduced the resolution called for \$1 for each additional cultivated quarter and 25 cents for each grazing quarter, but after some discussion which brought out difficulties in assessing partly cultivated quarters, quarters partly or mainly bush or muskeg, etc., it was amended to read as in the first paragraph above.

The fee for single members will be \$3 and for Juniors not included in family groups \$1.

Most of the speakers supporting the resolution stressed the need of the organization for more funds, those opposing expressing the fear that the increased fees might make it more difficult to secure memberships, especially in dry areas, where large acreages were required to support relatively few cattle.

Call for Public Ownership

Development of electric power as a public utility under a Provincial Power Commission, was again called for by the F.U.A. The resolution proposed a comprehensive plan, making full use of water power, gas and coal in the production of electrical energy; bringing power into the farmer's yard without charge; and introducing the Manitoba scheme for supplying farmers with electrical equipment at a very low price. As a matter of information to the delegates, Mr. Young referred to a circular that had been sent out to farmers stating that Manitoba purchasers of equipment got no service; officials of the Manitoba commission had assured him, by telegram, that servicing agencies were maintained to keep up appliances which were sold under their guarantee.

A.F.A. Officers Elected

Roy C. Marler of Bremner was re-elected President of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture at a meeting of the Board of Directors following the Annual Meeting; other members elected to the Executive being L. E. Pharis of Magrath, First Vice-President, and Karl Kapler of Strome, Second Vice-President. James R. McFall is Secretary-Treasurer.

Elected Directors of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture representing the A.F.A. are Mr. Marler, Ben S. Plumer of Bassano and Mr. Pharis; while Mr. Marler also represents the A.F.A. on the Executive Committee of the Canadian Federation.

In addition to the C.F.A. Directors, Messrs. Hugh Allen of Hualien, Carl Antonsen of Pibroch and Mrs. W. C. Taylor of Wainwright (President of the F.W.U.A.), will attend the Western Conference in Winnipeg, which precedes the Annual Meeting of the C.F.A.

Mrs. R. B. Gunn of Lloydminster, will attend the Annual Meeting of the C.F.A. as the representative of Western Women.

Offer Hope and Model

The abundance enjoyed by the Canadian West is the theme of a year-end bulletin from Dr. F. J. Greaney, Director, Line Elevators Farm Service. "In this fortunate land of Canada," he writes, "it is difficult to realize that, on vast areas of the globe, hunger and want are still men's daily companions. Why is it that this country of ours is so favored in the eternal struggle for food? Is it because we have larger areas of more fertile soil? No, the answer lies mainly in our ability to make use of the results of agricultural research. The western farmer has been able to combine the fruits of science with his own sweat and skill to perform food production miracles." Farmers of the Prairie Provinces, writes Dr. Greaney, are not only helping to maintain the strength of the Western World in these uneasy days; "but they offer a hope and a model for farmers all over the world."

The A.F.A. Annual Meeting also called for public ownership of power.

Other important decisions of the A.F.A. and F.U.A. Conventions in our next issue.

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AN EXCHANGE OF LETTERS

(Continued from Page 3)

unity of thought and purpose through one federated body to serve these various organizations. To work collectively, democratically, in the primary interest of each individual on the land.

The purpose of the Federation in Alberta as set out in its constitution is to advance on all possible occasions the interest of farmers and farmers' co-operative organizations. To co-ordinate the efforts of the various branches of Agriculture for the purpose of promoting their common interests through collective action. To persistently study and protect the interests of the membership in relation to existing legislation and to legislation under consideration by the Provincial and Federal Governments. To assist in formulating and promoting Provincial and National policies for agriculture. To co-operate with similar bodies in the other Provinces and when desirable to co-ordinate efforts with such bodies in the serving of the above purposes.

To my knowledge the Federation has never pursued a policy of selfish interest, divide and conquer, or of domination nor has it ever had any desire to take away the autonomy of any of its member organizations nor has it ever taken any steps to correct any matters of difference existing inside any of its member groups. The basis of membership in the Federation is voluntary.

I have responsibilities as an executive of the C.F.A., and President of the A.F.A. and when some one gives the wrong information in regard to either of these I feel that it is my duty to provide the correct information. You apparently took it for granted that I was making a rebuttal to what you said with respect to the Dairy Farmers of Canada and the Federation, which is not the case. Had I asked to make a rebuttal I assure you that I would have said something considerably more than what I did say.

What I did ask for and receive was the special privilege to give the Convention accurate information with respect to your reference of the Dairy Farmers and the Canadian Federation which I had hoped you would have wanted those present to have, and which we could have supplied you with previous to your address, had we known you were going to make such statements. The Canadian Federation would have gladly given you any such information on request as I am sure the Dairy Farmers of Canada would also. At the time I was speaking I carried in my hand concrete evidence to verify the information given, of which I gave the Chairman a copy, of the C.F.A. submission to the Government of Canada embodying the request of the Dairy Farmers of Canada.

With regard to your reference to the discussion at the Western Conference in Winnipeg on rail and live grading of hogs, I wish to advise you that the A.F.A. had not had this matter referred to it nor had they considered the matter previously to the conference you refer to. In fact the only organization in Alberta that had

considered it at that time that I know of favored the optional grading by a vote of 11 to 8.

I wish to assure you that I am at all times willing to answer for any position that I take at any place. In fact I do not know of any person who is more vulnerable than I with the one exception, Mr. Hannam, Chairman of the C.F.A.

The Federation has been criticized in the past by the odd person in Alberta as being too modest and not militant enough. Perhaps this criticism has been from lack of understanding more than anything else. I feel it would be a mistake to interpret courtesy and prudence as lack of courage. The most of these organizations in the Federation have tangible evidence as well as a record of performance for many years which perhaps is much more impressive than anything that any one person may say for or against the conduct of the federated movement as it now exists. Notwithstanding this, however, the Federation has always been open to suggestions for the improvement of the organization, even if it meant the changing of the name or any other part thereof, and has changed from time to time with the only object in mind of better serving the individual farmer.

May I appeal to you to recognize the good within other organizations as well as that in the Farmers' Union, and the long service rendered by some of the personnel. I do not think we can afford to say to one another that if you do not work my way we are not going to work. Our organization in Alberta represents over 40 years of effort by the farm people, and about 15 years in the national field by farmers of other Provinces. You and I cannot expect to do for the actual farmer or his commercial organization what he or they have a right to expect of us until we first gain the confidence of the individual farmer and his organization. This confidence will not be obtained by hatred, or greed and lust for prestige, but by ethics of character and conduct.

In closing may I say that I am sorry too that I was not in Calgary when you made the public challenge. I will provide the F.U.A. with a copy of this letter that they may inform their delegates of my position.

With best wishes for the New Year,

Yours very truly,
R. C. MARLER, President,
Alberta Federation of
Agriculture.

Seek Adequate Funds For Improvement of Livestock in Canada

Federal and Provincial Governments are being urged by the Alberta Federation of Agriculture "to appropriate adequate funds for general livestock improvement in areas where livestock production is fundamental to the best economic utilization of the soil."

A resolution embodying this proposal was adopted by the Federation in Annual Meeting. In so far as its implementing will involve Federal action, the proposal will be channelled through the Western Agricultural Conference which is about to meet in Winnipeg. Decisions of that Conference will be passed on for consideration by the Canadian Federation of Agriculture in Montreal.

Establishing as Quality Product

It is set forth that the swine improvement policies of both Federal and Provincial Governments "have assisted materially in establishing Canadian bacon as a quality product equal to any produced in the world;" that "Britain and United States are our best potential markets for these prime and high quality products; and that exports are in the main limited

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By SYDNEY MAY

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We culled the following from a
recent report on the German
people: "To these people there
are only three nations in the
world that matter now—America
Russia and Germany. They be-
lieve that the fate of the rest of
us will be determined by these
three; and as the Germans work
and rebuild they think that theirs
may be the deciding voice." Nevertheless, there are quite a lot
of folks in the world who will
still sing: "Rule Britannia!"

Dr. M. Gumpert, U.S. Scientist, de-
clares that in these days most wives
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Tourists to California are now ad-
vised not to be scared of earthquake
shocks, as they're all over in a brace
of shakes.

We see where a medical authority
advises fat people to go on a fish
diet. That's a good place to start,
anyhow.

A burglar in San Francisco was
caught in his stocking feet. Tut, tut,
he should have been able to show the
police a clean pair of heels.

Nunno, Algernon, just because we
have liquor control in Alberta doesn't

mean that we have a Tee-tolitarian
government.

ISN'T IT THE TRUTH

In spite of the government credit
restrictions, it's still easy enough to
borrow trouble.

QUITE A RECORD, BUT

Record profits of \$8,161,150, a
rise of \$2,264,000, has been an-
nounced by the Great Universal
Stores Group in the Old Country.
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goes to reserve, and the dividend
remains at 40 PER CENT FOR
THE YEAR. However, now that
they have a Conservative govern-
ment they hope to do better in
future.

FEAR

While in the House of Life I
banqueted,
Fear darkened every room; it
shared my bread
And shadowed every joy, whis-
pering, "Dine well,
For you are doomed to bid the
least farewell."

"Each guest," it mocked, "must
through the mystic gate
Perforce depart." Yet, as the hour
grew late,
More loth was I to leave the
festal board,
Whose pleasures I had scarcely
yet explored.

I pondered whence came I, and
whither bound,
But to the riddle, no solution
found.

Was dust indeed, to be my des-
tiny,
My life to know no continuity?

Yet, when I felt Azrael's shadow
fall
Coldly across my couch — and
heard his call —

I found that fear had fled — that
unafraid,
I waited to receive his accolade.

—Agnes Aston Hill.

WHY EDITORS LEAVE HOME

"Martin C. Rusch has gone to Hot
Springs, Arkansas, for his annual
bath." — From the Lakehead Times,
Wis. We'll bet Martin will Rusch to
make that editor come clean.

The school inspector was visit-
ing an Alberta country school.
"What kind of arms has a
farmer," he asked.

"Big ones," said one smart boy.
"Quite right," replied the in-
spector. "And why does the
farmer have bigger arms than I
have?"

"He works!" came the reply
from the back of the room.
—Thenx to Knotty Frankie.

SIGNS OF THE SIN-E-MA

Outside a British movie theater:
"Boy Hope in Fancy Pants. Also
selected shorts."

Theatre notice in the Calgary
Herald: "Come Fill the Cup With
James Cagney and Phyllis
Thaxter."

News report says that a smash-and-
grab raider got away with two hun-
dred dollars worth of the best rods
and reels from the window of a Lon-
don fishing tackle shop. We under-
stand the police are still angling for
him. Or should we say they have
the drag net out.

WILL THE "DRYS" PLEASE NOTE
"Good talk has always flourished
in taverns, but it dies in the hotel
de luxe . . . It results from conditions
which strip off social veneer and
bring people together on a plane of
elementary humanity." — From the
Art of Lelsure by Marjorie Barstow
Greenble. O.K. Marjorie, make mine
a sarsaparilla.

THIS IS TERRIBLE

Lil Goldilocks, our office vamp, is
all hot and bothered because she
couldn't find a volume of the "Scarlet
Pumpernickel" in the library. Yep,
says she wanted to take with her to
read at Rex Beach on her next sum-
mer holiday.

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clares that a Pessimist is a guy who
waits patiently for nothing to happen.

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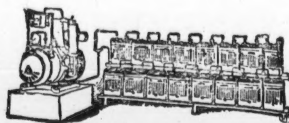
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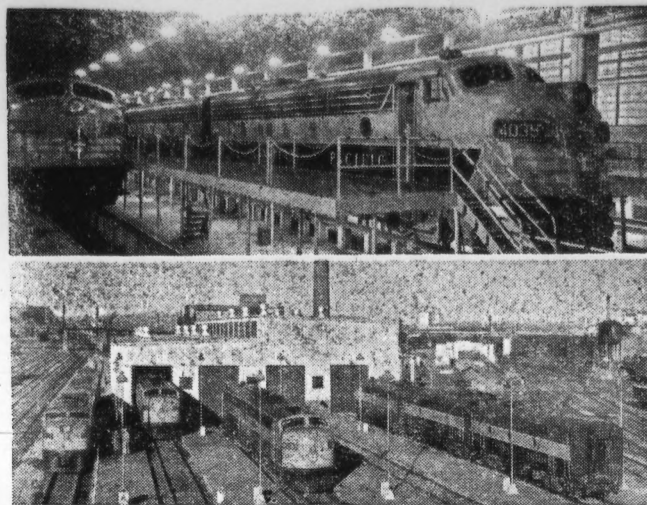
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